

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 3116**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Court Appointment Deferral Fund		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 3116 adds Article 11 to Chapter 3, Title 14, which creates the Civil Appointment Deferral Fund. This Fund would be the responsibility of the State Supreme Court, who would establish the rules, procedures and appropriate Fees or Fee Schedules for the Fund. Fees paid into the Civil Appointment Deferral Fund would allow attorneys, who practice law in the State of South Carolina, a one year exemption from appointment to represent an indigent person.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Judicial Department

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund, due to the additional administrative responsibilities required of the Supreme Court, but the agency can absorb these costs at the current level of funding. There will be no impact on Federal and/or Other Funds.

The Commission on Indigent Defense

The Commission indicates this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.


**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate entity to address any revenue impact associated with this Bill.

Approved by:



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